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TAGS: ENRG, AG

SUBJ: PETROLEUM: SECOND QUARTER PRODUCTION-ALGERIA

REF: STATE 78763

1. GOA HAS NO LIMIT ON OIL PRODUCTION AT PRESENT TIME.  
USINT'S BEST ESTIMATE FOR GOA SECOND QUARTER PRODUCTION IS  
791,050,000 BARRELS A DAY. PAST PEAK PRODUCTION-SEPTEMBER 1973-  
WAS ABOUT 1,100,000 BARRELS A DAY, BUT TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES  
IN FIELD HAVE AND WILL CONTINUE TO REDUCE TOTAL PRO-  
DUCTION DESPITE SONATRACH'S EFFORTS TO INCREASE PRODUCTION.  
OFFICIAL FIGURES ARE NOT AVAILABLE.

2. AT PEAK OF ARAB BOYCOTT GOA PRODUCTION FELL TO A LITTLE  
UNDER 900,000 BARRELS A DAY, BUT PRODUCTION BEGAN  
INCREASING AS EARLY AS JANUARY. GOA'S REDUCTION OF OIL  
PRODUCTION DURING BOYCOTT IN 1973 AVERAGED ABOUT  
160,000 BARRELS A DAY AND IN 1974 ABOUT 150,000 A DAY.  
FULL PRODUCTION IN SONATRACH FIELDS STARTED IN MARCH  
AND IN FOREIGN OPERATED FIELDS A FEW WEEKS LATER AT  
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END OF MARCH.

3. SONATRACH IS STILL NEGOTIATING SECOND QUARTER PRICE OF ALGERIAN OIL. THEY ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN MARKET PRICE OF \$15 A BARREL UP FROM PRESENT \$14 A BARREL, BUT OIL COMPANIES RESISTING. SO FAR NEITHER SIDE HAS FINALLY COMMITTED ITSELF. EAGLETON

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